



Misericordia Motus Est
"He was moved with Mercy."
(Luke 15:20)

THE FATHERS OF MERCY

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Dear Friends in Christ,

I wholeheartedly recommend the new weekly parish bulletin insert "What We Believe and Why We Believe It" written by my friend, "Joe Sixpack." Having spent most of the past twenty-five years on the road preaching parish missions and retreats, I can attest to the fact that one of the most frequently heard complaints from Catholic lay people is that they are sick and tired of what they often perceive to be lukewarm, watered-down Catholicism. This is surely symptomatic of the generally deplorable state of Catholic catechesis in the Church in America which has undeniably helped to produce so many uninformed, unengaged, and fallen-away Catholics for the last four decades.

This is precisely why, in recent years, the National Conference of Catholic Bishops has been strongly encouraging the development of new, innovative catechetical initiatives and resources which will provide the faithful with the kind of sound doctrine, good moral exhortation, inspiration and apologetical skills so vitally important for the promotion of the new evangelization and the spiritual renewal of the Church and our society.

"Joe Sixpack" is a veteran catechist with a God-given gift for explaining the truths of the Faith in terms, that are clear, unambiguous, doctrinally correct and firmly rooted in Sacred Scripture, Sacred Tradition and Magisterial teaching. The name "Joe Sixpack" accentuates his remarkable ability to make the teaching of the Church easily understandable for the average guy and gal. His gift for story-telling and the use of concrete examples will help to provide his subscribers with both engaging and thought-provoking reading each Sunday.

Pastors who wish to find new catechetical tools to help their parishoners develop a greater understanding and a deeper appreciation for the timeless truths of our Catholic Faith will find "What We Believe and Why We Believe It" a valuable resource for instruction and a great little addition to their weekly bulletins.

In Mary's Immaculate Heart,

Rev. William P. Casey, C.P.M.